

## PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 22 September 65 23/0300Z	2. LOCATION Silver Springs, Maryland
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION A/C ✓
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	Object similar to an observation of an A/C with GRIMES type light, or other similar warning light.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 25 Seconds	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS  Witness checked time with watch. Probably accurate. Object appeared as a bright light. Clear night with 4th magnitude stars visible. More like JUPITER than a star. Disappeared suddenly. Had a reddish orange light and a yellow glow light at rear. Flight was curving from East to West. 45 deg arc in 25 seconds.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE NW	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	



20. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One)

Yes

☒ No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? \_\_\_\_\_

21. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One)

Yes

☒ No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? \_\_\_\_\_

22. Where were you located when you saw the object?

(Circle One):

- a. Inside a building
- b. In a car
- ☒ c. Outdoors
- d. In an airplane (type) \_\_\_\_\_
- e. At sea
- f. Other \_\_\_\_\_

23. Were you (Circle One)

- a. In the business section of a city?
- b. In the residential section of a city?
- c. In open countryside?
- d. Near an airfield?
- e. Flying over a city?
- f. Flying over open country?
- g. Other Suburbs

24. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

24.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

- |              |              |              |              |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North     | c. East      | e. South     | g. West      |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

24.2 How fast were you moving? \_\_\_\_\_ miles per hour.

24.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One)

Yes

☒ No

25. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

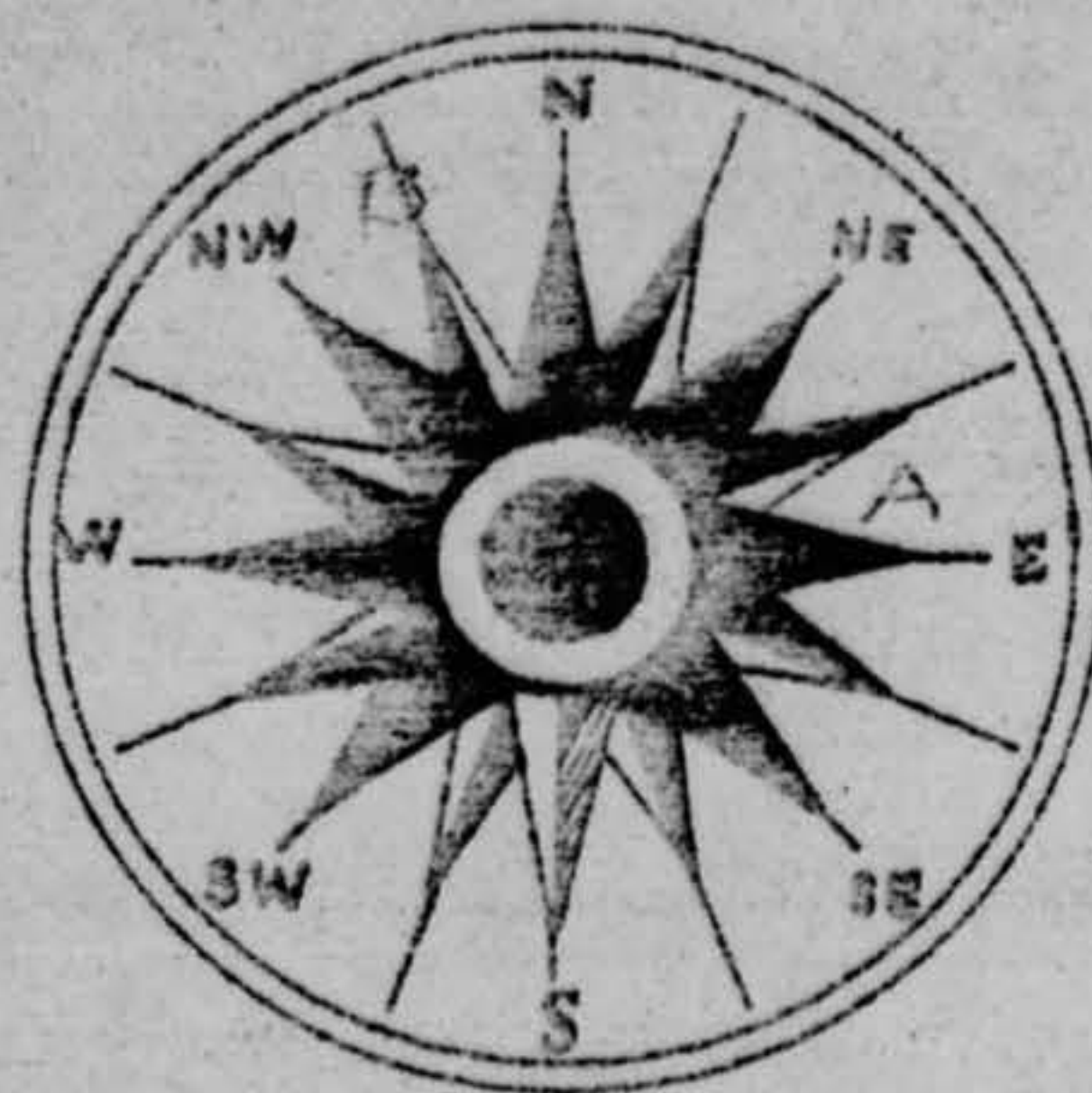
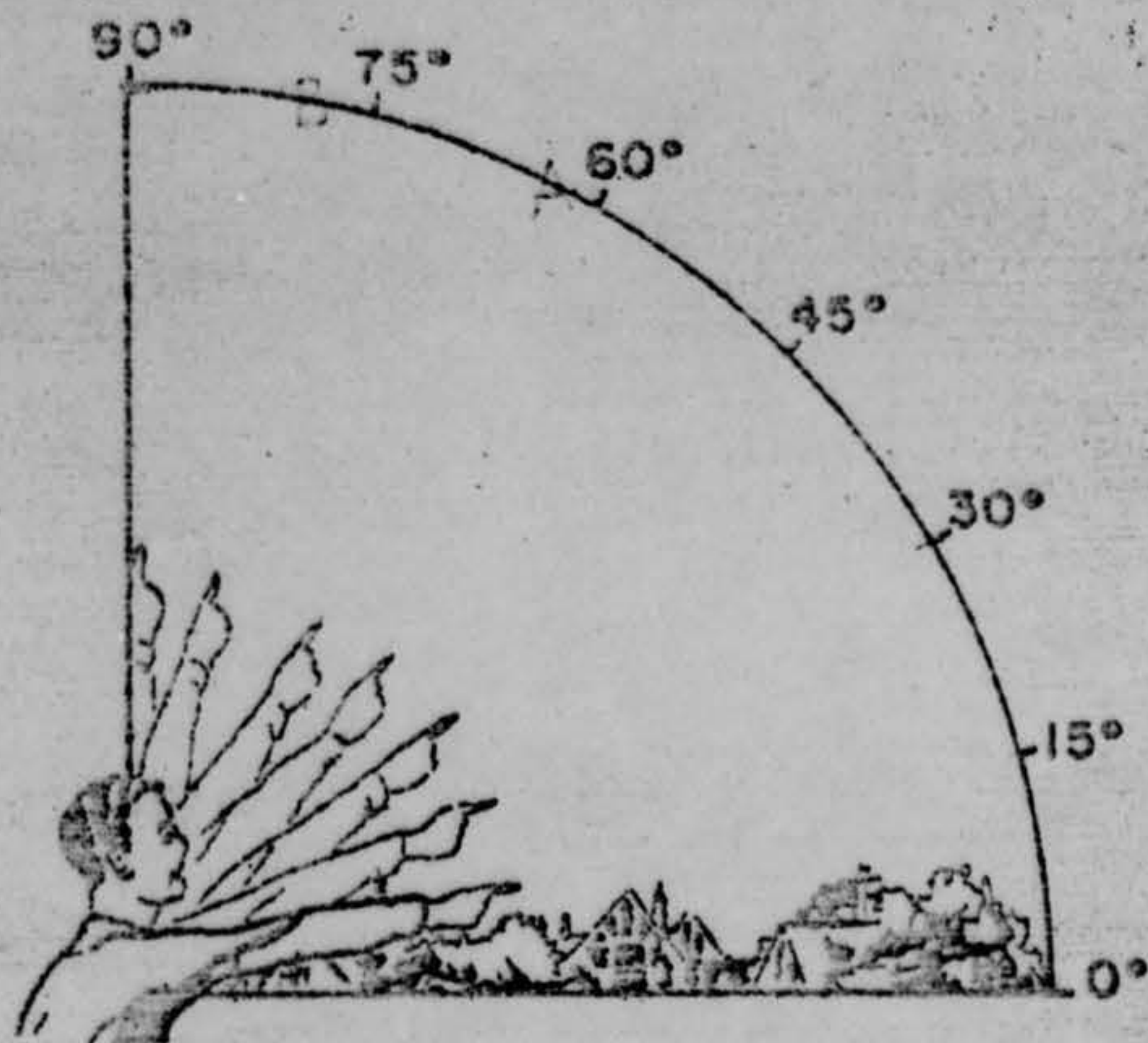
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|-----------------|--------------------------------------|----|----------------|--------------------------------------|----|
| a. Eyeglasses   | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | No | e. Binoculars  | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | No |
| b. Sun glasses  | Yes                                  | No | f. Telescope   | Yes                                  | No |
| c. Windshield   | Yes                                  | No | g. Theodolite  | Yes                                  | No |
| d. Window glass | Yes                                  | No | h. Other _____ |                                      |    |

26. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, describe in your own words a common object or objects which, when placed up in the sky, would give the same appearance as the object which you saw

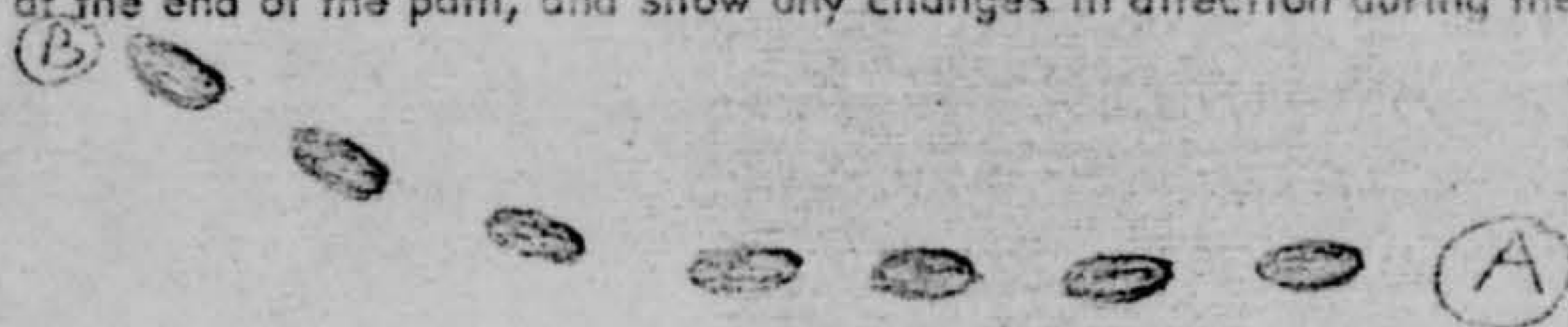
Silver dollar



27. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it. Place an "A" on the compass when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the compass where you *last* saw the object.



28. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



29. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? \_\_\_\_\_  
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.



30. Have you ever seen this, or a similar object before. If so give date or dates and location.

No

31. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object? (Circle One) Yes ☐ No ☒

31.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too? (Circle One) Yes ☐ No ☐

31.2 Please list their names and addresses:

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]  
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS [REDACTED] Silver Spring Maryland  
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED] AGE 45 SEX Female

Indicate any additional information about yourself, including any special experience, which might be pertinent.

amateur astronomer  
artist

33. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object?

23 September 1965  
Day Month Year

1. Naval Observatory
2. Space Agency
3. U.S. Air Force



34. Date you completed this questionnaire:

25 September 1965  
Day Month Year

35. Information which you feel pertinent and which is not adequately covered in the specific points of the questionnaire or a narrative explanation of your sighting.

On the night of September 23, 1965, where I saw the unidentified flying object, the sky was very clear as we were far enough away from city lights so one could see a 4<sup>th</sup> magnitude star with the naked eye.

I am an amateur astronomer and was looking for "Andromeda nebula" when the U.F.O. appeared. I have seen many meteors, fireballs, some comets and aurora borealis. I believe I have seen just about all of the satellites in space. I have observed several of our planets through a telescope and with the naked eye. The object I saw in my opinion was definitely not any of these things, because meteors, fireballs, & comets appear to shoot across the sky leaving a vapor trail. The U.F.O. traveled faster than a satellite and slower than a meteor or comet, also it was not similar to any aircraft that I have ever seen. What ever it was - was a thrill to see & a quick sighting.



Observations 19/

The object appeared like this or rather it left this impression on my mind. As an artist the colors (orange-red with a yellow glow on the outside) seem to stand out more than the shape. Through the binoculars one could see some dark color <sup>at</sup> part of ~~the~~ shape.

Looking at the U.F.O. at night again & a dark sky the colors or light from the object made it ~~almost~~ impossible to see the outline of the object clear, also I was too excited and the object was travelling too fast and was in sight for only a few seconds to really study the shape.



22 Sep 65

February 13, 1966

Mrs Hunt/sh/STOICC/72842/13 Feb 66

Dear Mrs [REDACTED]

This is in reply to your report of an aerial object which you observed and were unable to identify on the night of September 22, 1965.

The characteristics of your sighting indicate that you probably observed an aircraft with a Grimes type light or similar warning light. The duration is consistent with the evaluation, and the flight characteristics are similar to those of an aircraft in flight.

Thank you for reporting your observation to the Air Force.

Sincerely,

Mrs [REDACTED]  
Silver Spring, Md

JOHN P. SPAULDING  
Lt Colonel, USAF  
Chief, Civil Branch  
Community Relations Division  
Office of Information

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AIR FORCE SYSTEMS COMMAND  
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO



APPLY TO  
ATTN OF:

TDEW/UFO

SUBJECT:

UFO Sighting, 22 Sep 65

NOV 7 1965

TO: Hq USAF SAFOICC (Mrs Hunt)

Reference the attached report of an unidentified flying object from Mrs [REDACTED] of [REDACTED] Silver Springs, Maryland. Mrs [REDACTED] observed an object on the night of 22 Sep 65 and has requested an evaluation of her observation. Characteristics of the sighting indicate a possible aircraft with a Grimes-type light or similar warning light as the most likely cause of the observation. The duration is consistent with this evaluation and the flight characteristics are similar to an aircraft in flight. It is possible that this light was turned off and the aircraft was no longer visible. The sighting is not consistent with the meteors or satellites as Mrs [REDACTED] has indicated. Since Silver Springs is over an area of heavy traffic and no unidentified radar plots were reported to us from the radar locations in that area, specific identification is not feasible.

FOR THE COMMANDER

*Eric T. de Jonckheere*  
ERIC T de JONCKHEERE, Colonel, USAF  
Deputy for Technology and Subsystems



22 Sept  
Silver Springs, MD

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE  
WASHINGTON

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

23 SEP 1935

Dear Mrs. [REDACTED]

Attached is FTD Form 164 which is used for reporting observations of unidentified flying objects to the Air Force. In order for the Air Force to evaluate these reports, this form should be completed as fully as possible and returned to this office.

Sincerely,

*Sara Hunt*

SARA HUNT  
Community Relations Division  
Office of Information

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FTD Form 164

Mrs. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Silver Springs, Maryland

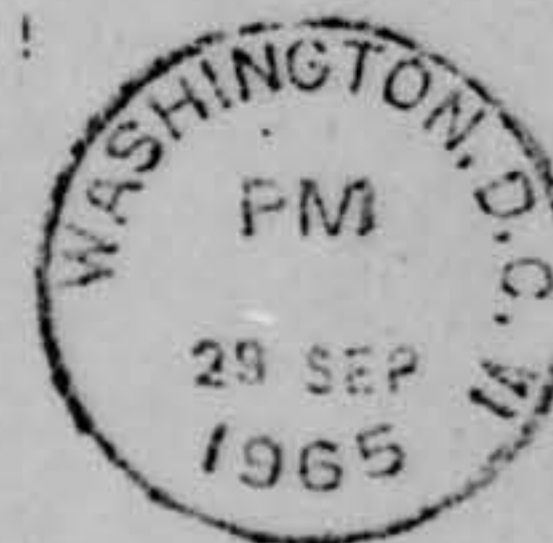
TDEW:

Writer wants an  
evaluation, please.

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Silver Spring, Md.



Department of the Air Force  
Office of the Secretary  
United States Air Force  
Washington, D.C.

Attention:

Mrs. Sara Hunt  
Office of Information



10:30 22 Sept 65

Constellation <sup>N</sup>  
Pegasus - east pt of sky

but little

red w/ white yellow glow  
around it

large star colour yellow

moved 70° overhead  
to NE

1 - 1 1/2 mite

very high up

Mrs [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
Silver Log No



22 SEP

# U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U.S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes. Your name will not be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

22 September 1965  
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 10:00 00  
Hour Minutes

(Circle One): A.M. or P.M.

3. Time Zone:

(Circle One): a. Eastern  
b. Central  
c. Mountain  
d. Pacific  
e. Other \_\_\_\_\_

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving  
b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

(Home) [REDACTED] Silver Spring Maryland  
Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or Country

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration)

Hours Minutes 25 Seconds

a. Certain

c. Not very sure

b. Fairly certain

d. Just a guess

5.1 How was time in sight determined? Watch with second hand overwatch. measurements made by me.

5.2 Was object in sight continuously? Yes ✓ No \_\_\_\_\_

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY  
a. Bright  
b. Cloudy

✓ NIGHT  
a. Bright  
b. Cloudy

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One): a. In front of you  
b. In back of you  
c. To your right

d. To your left  
e. Overhead  
f. Don't remember



8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS (Circle One):

- a. None
- b. A few
- ☒ c. Many
- d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle One):

- a. Bright moonlight
- b. Dull moonlight
- ☒ c. No moonlight -- pitch dark
- d. Don't remember

9. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

CLOUDS (Circle One):

- ☒ a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds

WEATHER (Circle One):

- ☒ a. Dry
- b. Fog, mist, or light rain
- c. Moderate or heavy rain
- d. Snow
- e. Don't remember

10. The object appeared: (Circle One):

- a. Solid
- b. Transparent
- c. Vapor
- ☒ d. As a light
- e. Don't remember

11. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars? (Circle One):

- ☒ a. Brighter
- b. Dimmer
- c. About the same
- d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

As bright as brighter than a radio tower light

12. The edges of the object were:

- (Circle One):
- a. Fuzzy or blurred
  - b. Like a bright star
  - c. Sharply outlined
  - d. Don't remember

e. Other It was more like a planet (Jupiter) than a star.

13. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- |   |     |                                     |            |
|---|-----|-------------------------------------|------------|
| a. Appear to stand still at any time?           | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode?              | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't know |
| d. Give off smoke?                              | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't know |
| e. Change brightness?                           | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't know |
| f. Change shape?                                | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't know |
| g. Flash or flicker?                            | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't know |
| h. Disappear and reappear?                      | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't know |



14. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how?

yes — suddenly

15. Did the object move behind something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes ☒ No ☐ Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: \_\_\_\_\_

16. Did the object move in front of something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes ☒ No ☐ Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what in front of: \_\_\_\_\_

17. Tell in a few words the following things about the object:

a. Sound \_\_\_\_\_

b. Color reddish-orange in center with yellow glow

18. We wish to know the angular size. Hold a match stick at arm's length in line with a known object and note how much of the object is covered by the head of the match. If you had performed this experiment at the time of the sighting, how much of the object would have been covered by the match head?

About  $\frac{1}{20}$ th of the object would have been covered.

19. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.

See page (8)

